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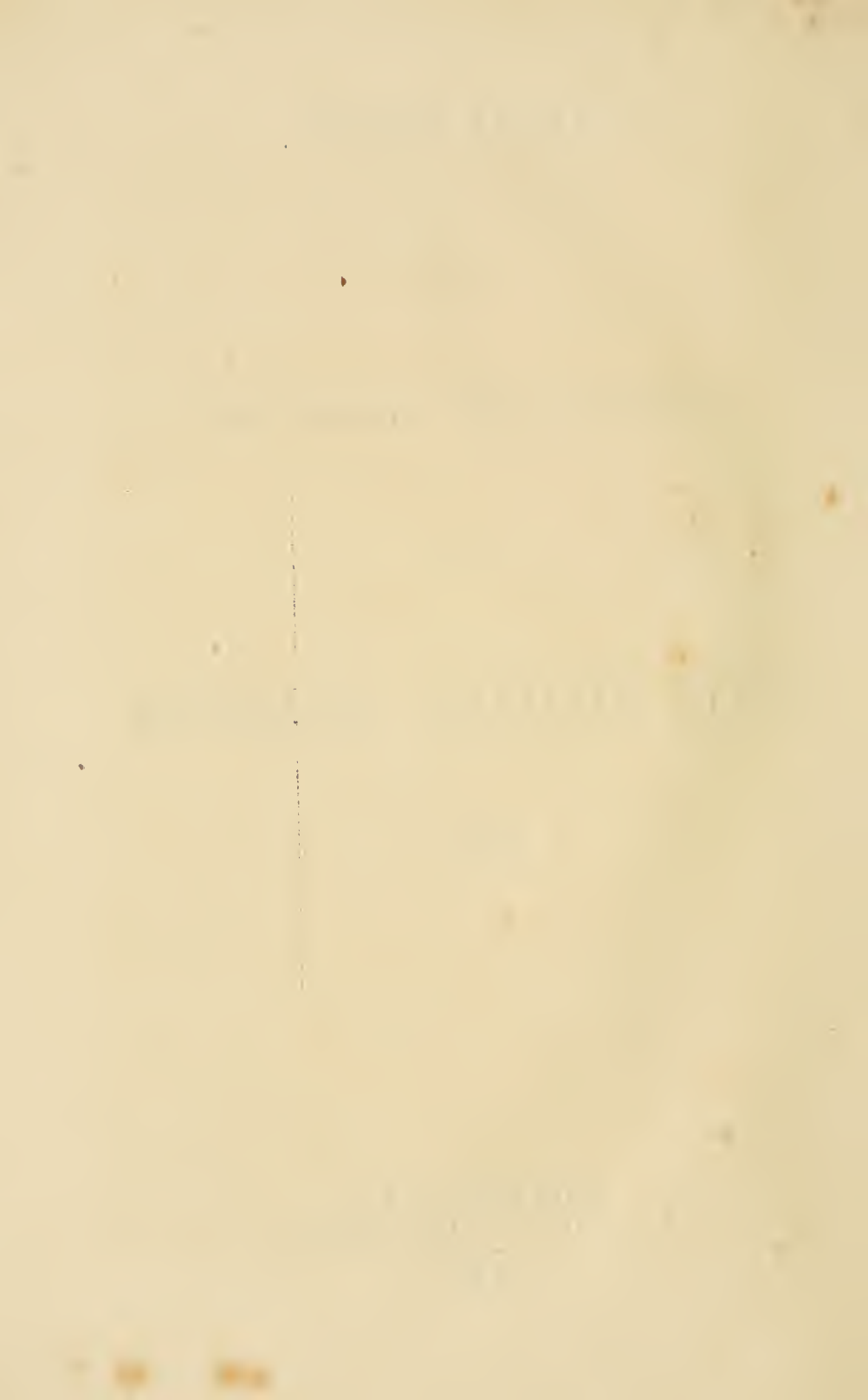
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REPORT.

To the Honorable the General Assembly of South Carolina :

The Board of Visitors of the State Military Academies beg leave to submit the following Report :

The annual examination at the Citadel Academy, held in April last, and the one just concluded at the Arsenal Academy, have both been entirely satisfactory, and in no year since the establishment of these Institutions, has better order been maintained, or a higher grade of proficiency been reached by the Cadets in both Academies.

The Board had much cause to regret the retirement of Maj. Capers from the Superintendency of the Citadel Academy ; but, they have every reason to believe that his place has been fully supplied, by one of the early graduates of the Institution.

At the annual meeting of the Board, on 3d of December inst., there were sixty pay, and sixteen State Cadets at the Citadel Academy. Twenty-nine pay, and fifteen State Cadets, were ordered to be sent from the Arsenal to the Citadel Academy on the first of January next. One pay Cadet was retained for another year at the Arsenal ; making, at present, in the Institutions, ninety pay and thirty-one State Cadets. There were appointed, at the same time, one hundred and four pay and twenty-four State applicants to enter the Arsenal Academy, and seven pay applicants to enter the fourth class, rising third, at the Citadel Academy ; so that, on the first of January next, there will be at the Citadel, ninety pay and thirty-one State Cadets ; and at the Arsenal, one hundred and five pay and twenty-four State Cadets, making, in the aggregate, two hundred and fifty-six Cadets in the Military Academy.

The Board, by the increased accommodations afforded by the additional building constructed at the Arsenal during the present year, have been enabled to admit a much larger number of pay applicants than ever before ; and, at their present meeting, no pay applicant has been refused admission, who came up to the standard, in respect to age and stature, required by the regulations. By the large increase in the number of admissions in the Arsenal Academy, the Board have reason to apprehend a want of accommodations at the Citadel for the additional number that will probably be placed there on the first of January, 1861, as there are now, at the Citadel, quarters only sufficient for about one hundred and twenty Cadets.

To provide for such a contingency, the Board recommend to your Honorable body the appropriation of five thousand dollars for the purpose of completing the unfinished east wing of the Citadel: which sum, they are informed, will be sufficient to fit up a mess-hall, chapel and hospital in the now vacant part of the building, thereby giving up the rooms now used for the purpose of a mess-hall, hospital and stores, for quarters, and thus affording additional accommodations for thirty-six Cadets; making a total accommodation for one hundred and fifty-six Cadets at the Citadel.

The Board ask your Honorable body to continue, for the ensuing year, the appropriation for adding to the small, but well-selected and very valuable, Library which they now possess.

The Board make the following report of the receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year, from October 1st, 1858, to September 30th, 1859, for a more specific account of which they refer to the annual account of the Bursars of the Academies, herewith transmitted, accompanied by the proper vouchers.

EXPENDITURES

For the financial year, ending Sept. 30th, 1859.....\$61,913 03

RECEIPTS.

Unexpended balance at last report.....	\$ 4,346 97
From appropriation.....	30,000 00
“ Pay Cadets.....	24,175 00
“ Appropriation for Library.....	1,000 00—59,521 97

Balance over-expended.....\$2,391 06

This deficit of two thousand three hundred and ninety one 6-100 dollars has resulted from the purchase of iron bedsteads, a telescope, and the building of an observatory for the Citadel Academy, costing in the whole about two thousand five hundred dollars.

The Board do not ask for any appropriation for the deficiency, as it has been paid off by the funds accruing on the 1st October, 1859, and it is hoped will be fully reimbursed by the end of the ensuing fiscal year.

Exhibits showing the number of Cadets appointed; of those who failed to report; of those rejected, honorably discharged, discharged for deficiency, graduated, &c., from January 1st, 1843, to December 3d, 1859, and an abstract from the report of the Arsenal Keeper at Charleston and Columbia, are herewith submitted.

Respectfully reported,

JAMES JONES, *Chairman Board of Visitors.*


Columbia, December 5th, 1859.

Abstract of Ordnance, &c., in the Arsenal of South Carolina, Sept. 30, 1859.

ON HAND, SEPT. 30, 1859.	Citadel.	Arsenal.	Aggregate.
IRON ORDNANCE.			
8½-inch Columbiads, 65 pounders.....	6	0	6
8½-inch Sea-coast Howitzers, 65 pounders.....	4	0	4
10-inch Mortars.....	3	0	3
8-inch heavy Mortars.....	5	0	5
8-inch light Mortars.....	4	0	4
24-lb. Cannon.....	32	0	32
18-lb. long Cannon.....	2	0	2
18-lb. short Cannon.....	5	0	5
6-lb. Cannon.....	0	16	16
12-lb. Howitzers.....	2	0	2
BRASS ORDNANCE.			
12-lb. Howitzers.....	1	0	1
5½-inch Howitzers.....	0	1	1
9-lb. Cannon.....	1	0	1
6-lb. Cannon.....	2	0	2
4-lb. Cannon.....	6	1	7
3-lb. Cannon.....	1	0	1
ORDNANCE STORES.			
Shells of various sizes.....	3,003	0	3,003
Cannon Balls of various sizes.....	8,510	210	8,720
Cannister Shot.....	164	105	269
Round Shot.....	200	0	200
Grape, or Case Shot.....	35,316	0	35,316
SMALL ARMS.			
Muskets and part accoutrements.....	1,424	5,422	6,846
Rifles.....	294	473	767
Fusces (condemned, 106).....	146	0	146
British Carbines.....	45	0	45
Pistols.....	828	994	1,822
Swords and Sabres.....	48	89	137
Artillery Swords.....	101	350	451
STORES.			
Marquees.....	1	3	4
Wall Tents.....	2	19	21
Cavalry Tents.....	58	17	75
Infantry Tents.....	91	87	178
Cartridges—Buck and Ball.....	22,600	21,700	43,700
Powder—pounds of.....	22,687½	1,759	24,116½

Exhibit of Cadets appointed, failed to report and rejected, honorably discharged, &c., from Jan'y 1st, 1843, to Dec. 3d, 1859.

	PAY.	STATE.
Total appointed up to December 3, 1859.....	862	546
<i>Accounted for as follows :</i>		
Failed to report and rejected.....	126	82
Honorably discharged.....	358	145
Discharged for deficiency.....	100	101
Discharged for misconduct.....	108	82
Died.....	4	6
Graduated.....	74	96
Remaining in Academics Dec. 3, 1859.....	92	34
Total.....	862	546



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